

## EXTRA.

### YOUR UNCLE SAM WINS!

#### Gallant Vigilant Takes the First Race for Amer- ica's Cup.

#### VALKYRIE NOT IN IT WITH HER

#### Had an Advantage at the Start, but Couldn't Hold It.

#### OUTSAILED BEFORE THE WIND.

#### And Left Way Behind on a Long Reach to the Finish Line.

#### BULLETIN.

Vigilant has won the first race of the series for the America's Cup.

The gallant Yankee sloop was last across the line at the start, but first home.

The race was sailed under favorable conditions throughout, although the wind at times was puffy and variable.

The boats crossed the line at the start as follows:

H. M. S. Valkyrie..... 11:25:20  
Vigilant..... 11:25:25  
The Yankee sloop was the first to turn the stake at the end of the Jeward run of fifteen miles, course east by south.

She made the turn at 1:05:20. Valkyrie turned the stake at 1:18:15. Vigilant held her lead to the finish.

#### VIGILANT WAS RIGHT THERE.

Took the Lead Five Minutes After Crossing the Line.

The first message received by carrier pigeon from "The World's" tug, Mutual, to-day reached the loft just before noon. It read as follows:

"Message No. 1.  
"Nearing the lights, 10:55 o'clock.  
"After leaving Bay Ridge the yachts were down the bay by the main ship channel."

"Off the Hook, Vigilant hoisted mainsail, staysail, and jib and continued out under tow."

"At 10:10 o'clock, while outside the Hook, Vigilant came up into the wind on the starboard tack and cut off her tow."

"She then ran up her club topsail and stood off inshore, in a southeasterly direction."

"A few minutes later Valkyrie rounded up into the wind and ran up her topsail."

"She then got up her headsails and cast off her tow."

"At that hour the wind was very light from the southwest; the sun was shining brightly and there was every indication of a slow race."

"A very bad cross swell was running, which caused the sails of the yachts to fly, even against the wind."

"The first of the excursion fleet and the steam yachts reached the Sandy Hook Lightship astern of "The Evening World" tug, at 10:25 o'clock."

"The weather was then still a bit shady, but was clearing."

"Off Sandy Hook Lightship at 11 A. M.  
"The flag ship May signalled the course east by south, and a few minutes later the tug launched her tow line to start with two patent life overboard to mark out the course. The yachts were then standing off and on to windward of line."

"Vigilant's sails set perfectly. Valkyrie's mainsail was wrinkled at the leech and at the tack, but otherwise it set very well."

"At 11:20 the boats were maneuvering for the start. They carried bows to port and were close abeam the line."

"At 11:24 both were standing down to the line, 540 by side. Valkyrie to windward and a little ahead."

"As the gun was fired at 11:25 Valkyrie was right on top of the line and going well."

"Vigilant was half a length astern making out her spinnaker."

"Both boats got across the line almost together, Valkyrie having the advantage."

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after getting across the line, but as soon as Vigilant got her spinnaker to draw she held her own. Then she rapidly pulled up on Valkyrie and soon passed her, taking the lead at 11:30.

"Both boats carried spinnakers and balloon jibs and topsails."

"At 11:40 Vigilant was still leading."

"At 12:00, four miles out from Lightship."

"At noon, with the wind falling light, Valkyrie regained her lost ground and passed the Vigilant, getting a short lead."

"In the light wind blowing the yachts seemed to be very evenly matched."

"When the wind freshened, Vigilant seemed to be the faster boat, but in the very light air Valkyrie more than held her own."

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"At 1:20 Vigilant went about on the starboard tack and headed for the starting line."

"The wind became variable just at this time and seemed to be hauling around from west-southwest to northwest. At 11 o'clock it was blowing seventeen knots an hour, but as the yachts made for the start it moderated to fourteen knots."

"Valkyrie went about soon after Vigilant, and as they straightened out for the line it was seen that Valkyrie had a slight advantage."

"The starting gun was fired just before they reached the line. Valkyrie went across first, apparently leading Vigilant by about a length."

"No two spectators here could agree upon the actual time of the start. One timer made it 11:25 flat and 11:26:07 respectively for Valkyrie and Vigilant, while others made it anywhere from 11:25:40 to 11:30."

"Almost as soon as they got across both yachts set their spinnakers and broke out the balloon jibs, which had been hoisted in the stops. Valkyrie took the lead in this work, as she did in getting across the line."

"Five minutes after the start Valkyrie had slightly increased her lead, and both yachts were apparently making good headway. Their course was shaped south by southeast, and they seemed to be getting a good wind, although the breeze ashore had decreased considerably."

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"The wind had freshened again and Vigilant was making the most of it."

"At 12:30 Vigilant had apparently increased her lead considerably, for so short a time. Neither yacht had shifted a sail since breaking out her balloon jibs. Vigilant's club topsail was dragging badly."

"The wind shifted again about 12:45, hauling around to southward. Both yachts took in their spinnakers and set jibs and staysails."

"The change seemed to help Valkyrie some, as the open space between the yachts shortened."

"Vigilant got a favorable start of wind at 12:45 and forced ahead again, increasing her lead."

"Both yachts were then far ahead of the sailing fleet, and only the steamers appeared able to keep up with them. They were then about five miles from the lightship and still holding an east by southeast course."

"As near as could be judged from the positions of the yachts, Vigilant was leading at 12:55 by about a mile."

"She was then considerably south of Valkyrie, which made the distance between the yachts appear greater than it actually was. Valkyrie at that time set her spinnaker again and Vigilant followed her example."

"The breaking out of the spinnakers again was due to the wind hauling around to northward, Valkyrie being the first to feel the effect of the change."

"The cup-defender seemed to be leading her rival by over a mile. The horizon was perfectly clear, and both yachts could be distinctly seen with the naked eye."

"Shortly after 1 o'clock the wind seemed to be going down again, and the racers to be apparently making very slow progress."

"Valkyrie had closed up the gap somewhat, but was still far astern of the cup-defender. The indications at that time were that unless the wind freshened considerably the second attempt for a race would end like the first, in a fizzle."

"At 1:20 both yachts were hulled down to the eastward. Vigilant appeared to have increased her lead somewhat, and it was estimated that she was within four miles of the stakeboat. The lower portion of her mainsail and spinnaker was then below the horizon."

"Valkyrie was between one and two miles astern. The sails of both yachts were drawing well, and they probably had a much stronger breeze than was blowing upon shore."

"At 1:40 the wind near stakeboat seemed to be hauling to westward again, for Vigilant took in her spinnaker at 1:22, and Valkyrie followed her example four minutes later."

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